

## A G E N D A



## Recommendation for Council Action (CCO)

Austin City Council

Item ID:

57267

Agenda Number

5.

Meeting Date:

May 19, 2016

Department:

Capital Contracting Office

## Subject

Authorize award and execution of a construction contract with M.A. SMITH CONTRACTING COMPANY, INC. for the Riverside Drive Corridor Improvements – 2012 Bond: East Riverside Drive/South Lakeshore Boulevard Intersection Improvements project in the amount of \$774,997 plus a \$38,750 contingency, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$813,747.

## Amount and Source of Funding

Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2015-2016 Capital Budget of the Austin Transportation Department.

## Fiscal Note

A fiscal note is attached.

**Purchasing Language:**

Lowest responsive bid of three bids received through a competitive Invitation for Bid solicitation.

**Prior Council Action:**

**For More Information:**

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**Boards and Commission Action:**

**Related Items:**

**MBE / WBE:**

This contract will be awarded in compliance with City Code Chapter 2-9A (Minority Owned and Women Owned Business Enterprise Procurement Program) by meeting the goals with 9.42% MBE and 0.84% WBE participation.

## Additional Backup Information

The Riverside Drive Corridor Improvements – 2012 Bond: East Riverside Drive/South Lakeshore Boulevard Intersection Improvements project is part of the East Riverside Drive Corridor Development Program. The program has been developed to improve safety, mobility, and quality of life along Riverside Drive between IH 35 and SH 71.

The project will improve mobility and safety at the intersection of East Riverside Drive and South Lakeshore Boulevard. The improvements will consist of:

- new intersection layout,
- 2,085 tons of Hot Mix Asphaltic Concrete Pavement,
- 2,085 linear feet of concrete curb and gutter,
- 560 linear feet of concrete sidewalks,
- 200 linear feet of sidewalk pavers,
- 240 linear feet of stamped concrete pattern medians,
- 65 linear feet of concrete valley gutters,
- Eight sidewalk curb ramps,
- Four elevated sidewalks,
- Two rain gardens,
- Pavement striping and
- Markers for vehicular traffic lanes, bicycle lanes, and pedestrian crosswalks.

Due to the potential for unknown subsurface conditions and utility conflicts, a 5% contingency in funding has been included to allow for the expeditious processing of any change orders. A contingency is an additional amount of money added to the construction budget to cover any unforeseen construction costs associated with the project.

Area stakeholders participated in the planning process of the East Riverside Corridor Project through multiple community and public open house meetings. Regular communication and coordination with stakeholders will continue throughout the entire construction process by way of electronic communications, special hardcopy notices delivered in advance of construction phase changes, project website updates, as well as face-to-face coordination meetings, when necessary.

Recent development on East Riverside Drive and South Lakeshore Boulevard has significantly increased traffic at this intersection. The current intersection was not built for the increase in pedestrian, bicyclist and motorist traffic and is thus not meeting optimal safety and efficiency standards. Executing this contract in a timely manner is necessary so the current conditions are not prolonged.

The contract allows 180 calendar days for completion of this project. This project is located within zip code 78741 (Districts 3 and 9). The project will be managed by the Public Works Department.

M.A. Smith Contracting Company, Inc. is located in Austin, Texas.

Information on this Solicitation, including bid tabulation, is on file with the City's Capital Contracting Office and is available on the City's Financial Services Austin Finance Online website. Link: [Solicitation Documents](#).